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DEVOID

Princess Chimay and Her Gypsy Musician at Budapest.

NO EFFORT TO CONCEAL THEMSELVES

Great Crowds of People of All Classe Surround Their Hotel in an Effort To See the Couple --- Evidently Preud of Their Notoriety.

Budapest, Dec. 30.-Janos Rigo, the Hungarian gypsy musician, with whom the Princess de Caraman-Chimay, formerly Miss Clara Ward of Detroit, recently eloped from Paris, have arrived here from Stuhlweissenberg, where they have been visiting Rige's parents. There presence in the city where their elopment has filled much space in the newspapers has awakened the liveliest curiosity, and people of all classes make all sorts of efforts to see the couple. When it became noised about that Rigo and his American mistress were stopping at a hotel here hundreds of persons went to the hotel and stood outside for hours in the hope of seeing the pair. So large did the crowd become that traffic on the streets in the president of the company, telegraphed vicinty of the hotel was blocked, and it became necessary to detail special the country to send machines here at police to handle the people. The once. The plant cost \$200,000 two princess and the gypsy have visited years ago. The loss is placed at \$175,the theatres since their arrival, and , 000 with an insurance of \$75.000. appear to enjoy their notoriety. Whenever 'they have appeared at places of amusement the princess has been blazing in diamonds, and, as she is a remarkably beautiful woman, has excited much attention. The audiences, as soon as they discover who the couple are, neglect the stage and devote all the time to watching Rigo and the princess, who evidently delight in the sensation they are creating. The contrast between time. But the contract will not expire the two is great. Rigo, who is about 35 years old, looks like the ordinary gypsy he is. His complexion is swarthy and his common ancestry is plainly attested in his face. The respectable people of the city are thoroughly disgusted with the manner in which the couple are acting. Many men of the world scoff at the idea of Rigo divorcing his wife and marrying Rockwell & Churchill will do the city the princess. They say that after he printing until the city is ready to ungets as much money as possible from her he will abandon her and return to his wife.

Another Brutal Massacre in Cubs. Havana, Dec. 30 .- It is officially stated here that a Spanish column has had an engagement with rebel parties under Sotolongo on the Sotolongo ranch, near Jaguey Grande, provinca of Matanzas. The insurgents are alleged to have been completely dispersed, with the loss of fifteen killed and one wounded. The Spaniards had a corporal wounded. It is known? that this "engagement" was simply an attack made by the troops upon the defenseless pacificos on the ranch, and that the fifteen persons reported to have been killed in battle were brutally massacred.

Mr. Gladstone Catigued.

London, Dec 30.-Mr Gladstone is somewhat fatigued to-day as a result of the celebration yesterday of his eighty-seventh birthday, although he remained quietly at Hawarden surrounded by his tamly He listened to tunity to meet the state officers and the reading of many of the enormous flow of congratulatory telegrams which came from all parts of the United Kingdom, the United States and the continent.

Stetson Will Contest.

Boston, Dec. 30 -Judge Holmes in the superior court has set March 9, 1897, as the date for the hearing in the case of C. H. Pattee, executor of the will of the late theatrical manager, John Stetson, against Ada Richmond Stetson, to determine the quesdetermine whether her case shall be

heard in court or not.

Says the Story Is a Sham. New York, Dec. 30 -Concerning a report that Archbishop Corrigan was about to be elevated to the cardinalate, Father Connelly, representing the archbishop, said that so far as he knew there was no truth whatever in the report. He said the s tory could safely be described as a shain.

Philippine Revolt.

Madrid, Dec. 30.—A dispatch from Manila, the capital of the Philippine Islands, says that the rising of the natives has extended to the province of Bulacan, in a northwesterly direction from Manila, and a large number of rebels have been arrested.

Fourth-Class Postmasters.

been appointed; Maine-C. W. Berdett, Birches; Mrs. T. Snell, Chases Mills. New Hampshire-E E. Cowen, Guild. Pennsylvania-W. S. Turner, Hazel the horses were caught.

dell; J. W. Kahn, Leesport. Takes the Oath of Office. 38

NEWARK IN DARKNESS.

Big Electric Lighting Plant Burned, Causing a Loss of \$175,000.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 30 .- The regular and reserve sections of the People's Electric Light & Power company's plant at City dock, River street and the Passaic river, were destroyed by fire early last evening, plunging the city into darkness which may not be relieved for several days. The entire plant is wrecked. Thirty-seven dynamos, ranging in value from \$2,500 to \$7,500 each, were consumed. Leo Gamp. foreman of the regular dynamo room, was at the switch board when a sheet of flame came through from the outside. This passed over Gamp's hands, burning him severely. In an instant every wire in the plant was a tongue of flame, shooting to the "shut offs" and igniting everything which they touched. Two alarms were sent in, more particularly to save the works of the T. J. Preston Oil company, adjoining, as the electric light plant was already lost. Fortunately the flames were confined to the four walls of the electric light plant. Not one of the dynamos were saved, and in order to serve even a small portion of the city with light by to-night at least twelve first-class dynamos must be set up in the meantime. Phillip N. Jackson, all of the leading dynamo makers in

BOSTON CITY PRINTING. The Municipality To Establish a Plant

and Do Its Own Work. Boston, Dec. 30 .- The city printing contract with Rockwell & Churchill, who have done the city work for twenty years, has just been abrogated by the committee on printing by a vote of 7 to 1, and the firm will receive notice to this effect in the course of until February 1, 1897, according to the existing agreement. Mayor Quincy concurred with the committee, it is said, and advised this course in order that the city may establish its own municipal printing plant and do its own printing. Au appropiation will be made by next year's city government-for this purpose. Meanwhile printing until the city is ready to undertake its own work.

DEFENSE OF THE PAPACY.

The Pope Says He Has Received Offers

of Ald from Ireland and Elsewhere. Rome, Dec. 30.—The address of the pope yesterday to the body representing the old pontifical army, in which he declared that the papacy would finally triumph, and adding that he had received offers from Canada, Ireland and elsewhere from people who were ready to hasten to the defense of the papacy, and that he hoped for the moment when he would see himself surrounded anew by sons of the faithful, and as well beloved as those which had comprised the pontifical army, has produced a deep impression in all circles throughout Italy

Dinner to Gov.-clect and Mrs. Black.

Albany, Dec 30 .- Gov and Mrs Morton gave a dianer in the state din ing had at the evecutive mansion last night in honor of Gov -elect and Mrs Brack, and also to give them an opportheir wives. The others present were Seen tary of State and Mrs Palmer, Comptroller Roberts and Mrs Roberts, State Treasurer Colvin and Mrs Colvin. State Engineer Adams and Mrs. Adams Lieut-Gov -elect Woodruff and , Mrs. Woodruff, Attorney-General Hancock, Miss Morton, Miss Lena Morton and Col Selden E. Marvin, jr Mrs Hancock and Lieut.-Gov Saxton sent

Pardoned by Gov. Morton.

Auburn, N. Y., Dec. 30.-Several tion whether the latter was lawfully convicts in Auburn prison have received married to John Stetson, and also to happy New Year remembrances from Gov. Morton in the shape of pardons and commutations Another installment arrived last evening, comprising one pardon and three commutations for long-term men. A pardon was received by Henry E. B. Pardee, an Ontario county forger, who entered prison in June, 1894, under a sentence of six years. He was discharged at once. The terms of the prisoners who réceived commutations will not expire for some time yet.

Hon. John Bigelow in a Sleighing Accident Highland Falls, N. Y., Dec 30-Hon. John Bigelow and his two daughters narrowly escaped serious injury while sleigh riding last evening. While proceeding along the road near this place, the horses which Mr. Bigelow was driving became frightened at a number of children coasting Washington, Dec. 30.-The following and ran away. The sleigh was soon fourth-class postmasters have just overturned, and all were thrown down an embankment, but fortunately all escaped serious injury. The sleigh was smashed to pieces before

Hartford-Yale Alumni President.

Hartford, Dec. 30.-The Hartford-Albany, Dec. 30. - Lieut-Gov. elect | Yale Alumni association has elected Timothy L. Woodruff yesterday took Charles E. Gross, '69, president, and the oath of office before Secretary of the executive committee has been office authorized to arranged for the annual dinner.

BULGARIA

Mme. Stambuloff's Charges Cause a Sensation.

GOVERNMENT OFFICERS MURDERERS

The Berieved Woman Not Likely To Ba Again Permitted To Attend the Trial of the Alleged Assassins of Her Husband.

London, Dec. 30.—Dispatches from Sofia say that the entire country is convulsed with excitement over the sensational denunciation of the members of the present government as the real murders of ex-Premier Stambuloff of Bulgaria made by his widow before the tribunal trying the assisins of the late statesman. The Bulgarian newspapers contain long comments on Mme. Stambuloff's denunciation, and the organ of the government asserts that Stambuloff was either deranged or that he sought death in the streets because of his many misdeeds. Mme. Stambuloff had been repeatedly urged to be present at the trial, but it is believed that a second appearance would be very unwelcome to the government. As soon as the widow entered the court room she addressed the judges. In impassioned language she declared that the "miserable wretches" on trial were not the assassins of her husband. She said that the president of the tribunal knew who were the real murderers. "They are the men who now form the government of Bulgaria," she said impressively. All the people in the court room were amazed at her denunciation of high officials, and none of the judges asked her a question. After her statement Mme. Stambuloff immediately left the room. She was dressed entirely in black and wore a long veil, which concealed her

Paying for the Battleship Iowa. Washington, Dec. 30.-The navy department has made the twenty-fourth payment of \$90,300 to the Cramps on the battleship Iowa. Altogether thirty payments are to be made on the vessel, of which the final three are reserved until after her acceptance by the navy department. She will, therefore, be turned over to the government when the twenty-seventh payment is made. The twenty-fifth instalment will be due about the middle of next

Cadets at the Inaugural Ceremonies.

Washington, Dec. 30 .- Secretary of War Lamont has ordered the corps of cadets of the United States military academy at West Point to-proceed to Washington at the proper time to participate in the inaugural ceremonies of the president-elect. It is also understood that Secretary Herbert will order the cadets of the naval academy to Washington at the same time. The two corps will probably be quartered in the state, war and navy buildings.

New Jersey Convicts Pardoned.

Trenton, Dec. 30 .- The board of pardons has just set several inmates of the state prison free, but they were cases of men serving very short terms for ordinary crimes The only exception was James Rowe, who got a threeyear term last April in Passaic county, for swindling members of the improved Order of Red Men There were mitigating circumstances and the board gave him his freedom also.

Death of Herr Waldemar Nissen.

Hamburg, Dec. 30.-Herr Waldemar Nissen, president of the Hamburg-American Steamship company and a prominent merchant of this city and well known throughout the country, died here last evening from a complication of diseases. He was 63 years old and was a member of one of Germany's patrician families.

Gov. Morton's Portrait at Albany.

Albany, Dec. 30 -Gov Morton has had added to the gallery of governors in the executive chamber an excellent three-quarter length, front view, oil portrait of himself, painted by Artist Hughes of this city. It hangs over the fire place.

Excise Special Agent Resigns.

Albany, Dec 30.-The resignation of Charles E. Nichols of Schoharie county as special agent in the state excise department has been received and accepted. Mr. Nichols' health was not very good and he found the work too hard for him.

Guilty of Murder in the First Degree. Dayton, O., Dec. 30.-The jury in the case of Albert J Frantz, charged with the murder of Bessie Little in August

last, late last evening returned a ver-

dict of guilty of murder in the first

Pugilist Kennard Not Dead. Rochester, N. Y., Dec 30 -Jimmy Kennard, the "St. Paul Kid," who was reported to have died in Johnsonboro in September, is alive, and is matched for a fifteen-round go in this city on

Jan. 11 with S. Patterson of Rochester. Death of Hon. Edward Avery.

Boston, Dec. 30.-Hon. Edward Avery for many years prominent in denic ratio state politics, is dead at his home here.

EXCITED | SPAIN HAS WEAKENEL

Believed To Be Carrying on Nego tiations with the United States.

HER PRIDE COMPELS SECREC!

Little Doubt That President Cleveland's Warning in His Recent Message Has Brought the Spaniards to a Realization of Their Position.

London, Dec. 30 .- The Daily News will to-day publish a dispatch from Paris saying that it was quite clean that Spain is carrying on negotiation with the United States, although her pride compels her to do so in an under hand manner. The dispatch adds that the proceeds of the popular loan recently issued by the Spanish government is virtually exhausted, that the buoyancy that followed the death o: Maceo is evaporating, and that the government is unable to avoid seeking an agreement with the United States.

A DELICATE UNDERTAKING. How the State Department Views the Matter of Bringing About Peace in Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 30 .- At the state department it is declared that there has been no substantial alteration whatever in the international aspect of the Cuban question since President Cleveland wrote the following in his annual message of December 7: "It was intimated by this government to the government of Spain some months ago that, if a satisfactory measure of home rule were tendered to the Cuban insurgents, and would be accepted by them upon a guaranty of its execution, the United State would endeavor to find a way not objectionable to Spain of furnishing such guaranty. While no definite response to this intimation has yet been received from the Spanish government, it is believed to be not altogether unwelcome, while, as already suggested, no reason is perceived why it should not be approved by the insurgents." It is explained that for domestic reasons the present Spanish cabinet could not take what would be to it a suicidal step of putting down in black and white a complete acceptance of the suggested mediation between a sovereign power and her crown colony, there has been at least a tacit understanding between Secretary Olney and President Cleveland's double negation | 15 said the failure is not a bad one. and the only matter left unsettled was the acceptance of the suggestion by the insurgents. In this connection it is said that President Cleveland, in speaking of the insurgents, does not refer to the junta in this country. which would be satisfied with no compromise, but to the actual combatants under Gomez and other leaders, at that time including Maceo. who, according to the information of the state department, were at that time not averse to putting an end to hostilities if the reforms promised by Spain were put into operation with the tacit guarantee of the United States and they, with their followers, were granted amnesty The great difficulty has been and now is in the United States "to find a way not objectionable to Spain" in accomplishing this part of the arrangement. It is believed the death of Maceo may have simplified the plan. It has been found an exceedingly delicate undertaking to make any progress in the matter without that publicity which would offend the Spanish people and cause an uprising in Spain itself, and for this reason the authorities here preserve i affair It is pointed out that the matpending its conclusion, could congress fairly expect to learn anything about it

CASE OF THE THREE FRIENDS.

Stories of Her Having Fired on a Spanish Gunbast Ridiculed in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 30 .- According to the best information obtainable here the federal officials at Key West and Jacksonville in their proceedings against the alleged filibuster Three Friends are acting under general instructions issued by the department of justice some time ago, and not under any special directions to fit the case of the vessel. The matter is being managed by Frank Clark, United States district attorney at Jacksonville. The officials of the Spanish legation say that if there had been the slightest shred of truth in the sensational stories published about the Three Friends firing upon Spanish gunboats, they would have been promptly informed of the facts by acting (apt.-Gen. Ahumada in Havana, and it would have been the imperative duty of the Spanish legation to have demanded the surrender of the boat and its efficers to the Spanish government to be dealt with according to the universally recognized law of nations. Absolutely no report of any such alleged and absurdly improbably occurrence has been received. Moreover, the Spanish legation is taking no interest in the trial of . the Three Friends in the United States court at Jacksonville. "This is the fifth time she has been libeled," said a prominent member of the legation, "and I supposed she will be released as usual '

THE VENEZUELAN TREATY. Not Only Acceptable to President Crespo, But Venezuelans Generally.

Washington, Dec. 30.-There is offi-

cial confirmation of the statement repeatedly made in the dispatches of the United Associated Presses that the Venezuelan arbitration treaty is not only acceptable to President Crespo and his constitutional advisers, but that it will be equally acceptable to the Venezuelan congress when it convenes in February next. The weight of public feeling is all in favor of the treaty, and it has encountered but little opposition from leading Venezuelans. The objection that Venezuela will have no voice in selecting the umpires to represent the government is met by the counter argument that Venezuela originally asked the United States more than two years ago to use its good offices with England to secure a treaty whereby the territory in dispute might be submitted to a tribunal of arbitration. The United States did this, and the protocol agreed upon by Secretary Olney and Lord Salisbury gives this country the right to name the umpires for Venezuela. It is pointed out, therefore, that it would not only be bad taste, but a gross breach of international etiquette, if, after the United States. had, at the risk of a war with Great Britain, succeeded in securing such a treaty, Venezuela should reject it because it was not in every essential agreeable to her.

MINNEAPOLIS BANK FAILURE. Officers of the Columbian National Say De-

positors Will Be Paid in Full. Minneapolis, Dec. 30.—Officers of the Columbian National bank, now in the hands of a deputy comptroller of the currency, having failed to open its doors for business yesterday, say that the liabilities not including the capital stock, etc., and including principally deposits, amount in round numbers to \$247,000, while the assets, mostly notes, amounted to \$450,000. They say that they had no doubt but that the despositors would in time be paid in full. Cashier Bobleter says there is \$33,000 cash in the vault, and \$100,000 will be collected within the next thirty days.

The Rospoke Bank Failure.

Roanoke, Va., Dec. 30.—The paid up capital of the Commercial National bank of this city, which has closed its the Spanish premier, as disclosed by doors, is \$100,000; surplus, \$37,000. It

WILL RECEIVE FULL PAY. Keeper Whitmore and Wife Acquitted of

the Charge of Insubordination. Hartford, Dec. 30 .- As a result of the action of the directors of the state prison in vindicating Matron Whitmore and her husband, Keeper Whitmore, of the charge of insubordination, upon which they were removed by Warden Woodbridge, they will receive pay until Jan. 1, having refused to return to the institution. The directors consider that Mrs. Woodbridge, in the absence of her husband, had no right to demand the keys of the mation. The refusal to comply with this demand formed the basis of the charge of insubordination. The directors have decided that hereafter no wife of any officer of the prison shall have any control of its

management. The Convicted Fire Bugs.

New York, Dec 30.-Isaac Zuker, the real estate dealer and manufacturer who was yesterday sentenced to thirtysix years in state prison, having been convicted of arson in the first degree, extraordinary reticence about the was taken to Sing Sing in a few hours Schoenholz, who applied the torch for ter is one that rests exclusively in the 1 Zuker, and whose testimony was president, and under no circumstances, largely responsible for Zuker's conviction, is still in the Tombs. He is under sentence of forty-eight years. Notice was telegraphed to Sing Sing that a stay had been granted to Zuker, but he was nevertheless locked up on the order of the deputy sheriff.

Banquet for New York's Next Scuator.

Albany, Dec. 30 -Final preparations have been made for the banquet which is to be given by the State League of Republican Clubs at Hermanus Bleecker hall on the evening of Jan 26 in honor of the United States senatorelect to be chosen by the coming legislature Garlond's band of Albany and McElvoney, the Albany caterer, have been engaged. Covers will be laid for 990 people. The only speaker so far decided upon is Hon D. D. Woodmansee of Cincinnati, president of the National League of Republican clubs.

Dowd Was a Definiter. Erie, Pa., Dec. 30.-The autoposy and investigation of the coroner's jury over the remains of the late William E. Dowd, the letter carrier, who died under suspicious circumstances, shows that his death was due to his swallowing a dose of carbolic acid. It is also developed that the suicide was a defaulter. He was the treasurer of Athens lodge, Knights of Pythias, also of the Knights of Malta.

Steel Furnaces Start Up.

Baltimore, Dec. 30.-Fires will be lighted on Friday in furnace "A" of the Maryland Steel company at Sparrows Point, giving employment to about 150 men, who have been idle since September.

IRELAND'S BOG SLIDE

The Alarming Report That Killar ney Is in Danger Denied.

PEOPLE ARE STILL PANIC-STRICKED

Peasants Living at Some Distance from the Scene of the Slide Fleeing from Their Homes--Carcasses of Animals Swept into the Lakes.

London, Dec. 30 .- A special dispatch from Dublin this morning denies the alarming report printed in the Daily Graphic that the bog slip threatens the town of Killarney. The dispatch adds that the slip has nearly ceased, but that great alarm, nevertheless, still exists.

Dublin, Dec. 30 .- The danger from the landslide near Rathmore, County Kerry, is by no means over, but is rather on the increase. That part of the disturbed earth comprising the bog is still sliding towards the Lakes of Killarney, its movement being accompanied by a sullen noise that is heard for miles in all directions. Peasants living some distance from the scene of the landslide arefleeing from their houses and taking refuge in localities that give some promise of safety, leaving all of their belongings behind them. Debris of houses and trunks of trees destroyed by the avalanche of earth, together with the carcasses of cows, sheep, pigs and other animals which were caught in the slide and plunged into the River Flesk, are now being swept into the lakes. The river is choked with earth, rocks, trees, etc., and the extravasated water has spread over a large area. No further loss of life than that of the Donnelly family of nine members is known to have occurred, but there are still fears that other persons may have been caught in the landslide and perished.

A Religious Tragedy.

Norwich, Conn., Dec. 30.—While suffering from religious mania yesterday Isaac H. Douglass, a well-to-do farmer of Voluntown, attempted to kill his weak-minded son by striking him with an axe on the head. He then built a fierce fire, and was making preparations to burn his own body and that of his son, but neighbors broke into the house in time to rescue both. The son, who is 30 years of age, will die from the effects of his wounds. The elder Douglass claims that he was influenced by a spirit to kill his son and himself.

The Trial of Mazhar Bey.

London, Dec. 30.-Advices from Constantinople show that the protest of the French and Italian ambassadors against the exclusion of their dragomans from the trial of Mazhar Bey has been effective. Mazhar Bey is being tried by a military court at Marash for the murder of Father Salvatore, an Italian priest, who was killed ın a convent at Ynikale in 1895.

Bright Outlook for Maine Ice Harvest.

Gardiner, Me., Dec. 30 .- The outlook for ice on the Kennebec is one of the best known for years, and if the present cold weather continues for a few days the numerous ice companies on the Kennebec will all be harvesting. The ice is now from eight to ten inches thick, and it is probable that 1,000,000 tons will be harvested. The average quantity yearly is about 800,000 tons.

Auburn Bank May Reopen.

Auburn, Me., Dec. 30. - A petition for a receiver for the American Trust and Banking company has been filed. A director says: "The money is coming in in such amounts that we are encouraged to think that our doors can again be opened for business. The company has little borrowed money, and the directors believe that western investments will prove all right."

New Counterleit \$10 Note.

Washington, Dec. 30 .- The secret service division of the treasury department reports the discovery of a new counterfest ten-dollar national bank note. It is a photographic reproduction of a note issued by the Union National bank of Detroit, Mich., check letter B, series of 1882, signed by W. S. Roscerans, register, and C. N. Jordan, treasurer.

An Old Clown Dies in a Poorhouse. Philadelphia, Dec 30.-Lansing W. Bancker, who was the oldest hving circus clown, with the exception of Dan Rice, is dead at the Philadelphia almshouse, where he had been an inmate for two months. He was 75 years

New Industry for Bridgeport.

Bridgeport, Coun., Dec. 30 .-- H. H. Sprague, president of the Equitable Gas Meter company of Indianapolis, Ind., is in this city looking about for a desirable site, where it is intended to locate a branch factory of his concern.

Civil Service List Extended.

Washington, Dec. 30.-The president has amended the civil ser ice rules so as to include in this service all employes of government penitentiaries in the United States who are subject to Jassification.

STERN'S.

Oh! What a Picnic for Those Ladies Who Waited

We just completed a purchase from a manufacturer of fine La dies' Cloaks and Capes, who closed out the entire balance at re markably low prices. We would not have bought these goods un less the price was so low that a sure sale of them was assured. The entire lot comprises 385 garments. We give a few prices as follows:

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she was assuredly a fascinating butterfly of a creature; even her women

HER LAST DANCE.

She was not a beauty, perhaps, but

friends admitted that. And though much of virginal expression and contour that imagination was loth to accept the fact of mationhood. One felt, indeed, that if the "Ewige Weiblich," changefully changeless, radiantly soulsatisfying, were to be personified, here was the modei. Gracious and graceful, gentle and joyous, she possessed talents innumerable, all cultivated to a certain degree-to a degree that had quite sufficed for her own enjoy ment and the edification of a host of admiring and not too exacting friends, who thought her a delightful produgy and

spoiled her accordingly. But, now, cudgel the stunned brain as she would, no real capability "of marketable value," as it had been so bluntly put to her even in these early hours of misery—Cousin Selina always put things a bit bluntly, she felt with a little shiver of annoy ance-no resource could she discover to stand her in good stead in the dreaded day that had come at last. The bolt had fallen that morning, and, with numb, folded hands and dry, terror-filled eyes, she sat in the darkest corner of her gay little drawing-room, beneath the ghastly chamber whence were soon to be borne the earthly remains of her husband.

What was she to do? How was she to procure, not the luxuries without which she scarce imagined her child could exist, but the bare necessities of life? Every piece of furniture in the house was mortgaged to its full value, and her last jewel had gone to pay the rent. Thank heaven, they would have this haven for some time to come. She was in debt to butcher and baker, and she had not had a new pair of gloves for months. Shillings had become the basis of expenditure as guineas had been bitherto.

In the morning sympathizing friends came to support and assist her through the trying ordeal. All passed lke a dream. "Tout passe, tout casse," she said, over and over, "but my heart is

When, a month later, she sat with Cousin Selina in the same room, in the same chair, listening again to the gusty rain as it beat against the windows, it was to her as if no appreciable time had intervened Dreamily she took up the thread of her thoughts where she had Jropped it that sad night, and the strange conceit came back to her.

Women, less brilliant but stol d and plodding, were ensconced in journals where she had disdamed even to allow her verses to appear. With voices in no way comparable to hers, she saw others succeed; while she, who sang like a bird-but like a bird, too, only when inpired-could make no impression. And so, dowered as she was, she was poorer and more helpless than the humblest woman who could conscieniously knit a pair of stockings or emproider a teacloth.

The pretty face seemed pinched and neary; two deep lines began to inclose the drooping mouth. "I smile en parenthese," she said, to Cousin Selina. is she turned from the mirror, where she was trying to change the expresson of those quivering lips, that even at the moment curved upwards, a Cupid's bow, at the quaint concert.

More surely than ever she knew she fould ask no favors, but must put her own shoulder to the wheel. But what to do when all else failed? To dance on the stage! Why not? She could dance. all her i fe she had loved to dance. In her greatest joy she had ever found fullest expression in dancing to her own reflections before the long marror in her boudoir. A hundred times her darling had been lulled to sleep, eased of her pain by the dancing of her "pretty Muinsie" Once, with her husband, she had seen a famous actiess—a woman chaste as herself-dance so gracefully, set with an abandone so perfect as to cuptivate an audience accustomed to exhibitions from which she had turned in loathing-to his annoyance, since nis taste grew yearly less refined. Even then, "The pity of it," she had sighed And how much even then was implied hat she should say, furning to him: "That I could do, I am certain."

"May you never need," he had anwered, ferrently. For he loved her and was proud of her, though his paths in life were devious, though he would not follow her. It all came back to her vividly-the gay scene, the eager faces, the murmur of delight, the applause that 105e again and again, and could not be stayed Her heart beat fast; yes, she would dance. It might cost her the few friends she still possessed, but as long as she helped herself she could maintain

Next day began a tiresome round of nterviews with impatient, incredulous or impertment managers, with a heart growing daily heavier and a brain sharpened almost to viciousness. At last an impressario, touched by her grace and the expression of brave despair in her hungry eyes, granted her a trial, fixing an hour at the theater on the following day in the early forenoon. Amid a concourse of women, some sympathetic, some biazenly inquisitive, all so different from herself that she scarce felt they were her sisters, she made her first essay. How unreal it seemed; a dream, she kept telling herself, a dream from which she would waken in a mo-

She kept her glance straight before her, trying to shut out the erudity of her surroundings. The "sets" all awry, the glimpses of busy carperters and scene-shifters, the flashily-dressed men and women waiting for rehearsal and familiarizing in a way that gave her a mental nausea. A row of raw girls in soiled dancing shoes and fleshings. their upper halves clothed in ordinary todices went aukwardly through their length, and the brave heart broke.matutinal drill. The odor of distand. Black and White.

bil and paint began to overpower her, and she was on the verge of losing her self-possession when the kind voice of the manager, close beside her, said:

"Your turn, madame—will you tell me what music you desire?" The orchestra, composed of one violin on the seven-and-twenty, and the mother of stage, began the swinging accompania girl of seven. She still retained so Enestra, composed of one violin on the ment of La Paloma, and at the end, and while the blood beat and surged in deafening throbs in her heavy head, again she heard the voice of the manager, seemingly a great distance off: "Accept my compliments, madame, I

shall be glad to offer you a salary of ten pounds a week. I am sure you will have a success." "Un succes fou," he said, turning to the orchestra, who gracefully waved his fiddle, bowed low and replied: "Sans doute." Poor woman, she looked into thair eyes to see if they were mocking her; then, convinced of their good faith, she mustered all ber strength, and with the strange surging still in her ears, smiled, said "I thank you," turned quickly and left the theater. How she got home was always a mystery to her. Martha heard a faint pull at the bell, hastened to the door and found her mistress pale as death, but with her eyes wide open and a set smile on her lips. She put her to bed, held her quivering body till by degrees the tortured soul began to still itself and the overwrought brain found relief in such healing tears as had not come before in all those strained days of trial. And now there was practicing and preparation of costumes, then the first appearance and the many succeeding, all justifying the acumen of her friend the impressario. Gradually all pressing need, the indebtedness, the grinding care disappeared, and she could have been comparatively happy. All day, save for the morning hour of

rehearsal, she kept Maizie beside her

It was Maizie who made a daily holocaust of unopened billets-doux and adorned her nursery with the flowers that invariably accompanied them. It was Maizie who firstenjoyed, almost inspired, the dances she invented, and who first praised her "Sweet Mumsie" in her artistic costumes. Every evening she left the child with a new pang. though she could not but feel her safe with good Martha, and flew on the nings of love to her bedside on her return. Resolutely she shut her eyes to all that displeased her in her new surroundings, and soon her dancing became to her an infatuation. For the time she was on the stage all else was forgotten. Her grief fell from her like a dismal garment, and she stood the personification of laughing youth. grace and joy. Always garbed in white and with a gauzy, wing-like scarf-"La Paloma" they called her after her first dance-she floated in an atmosphere chaste and poetic, too delicate to be misunderstood, and, as before, e.en the women were charmed. Yes, she might have become content, but daily Maizie grew weaker and more fragile. and her heart failed within her. She would take the child in her despairing arms and hold her so close that the I'ttle one would cry out, yet was happy withal in the embrace, for she loved her 'Mumsie" with a deep devotion, and seemed with a strange prescience to un-

One night—it was about three months after her debut-she left home a little lighter of heart than usual. Maizie had been feverish all day, and had grown quieter toward evening, and they had had a royal game of romps and a "big big hug and kiss" when she left. Toward the close of the evening she becan to grow ill at ease, and, throwing her fur-lined mantle about her, without hanging her costume, she left the theater hurriedly, and, jumping into a hansom, was driven home in all haste The front door was open. From the hall

zime the voice of her physician: "Go quickly, or she will not know

"Who will not know whom?" she said, to herself. "Who will not know whom?" she resterated to the physigian, as she walked quickly into the

He took her in his strong arms, carried her to the nursery and placed her in a chair beside the child. The dear little face, already fanned by the wings of the angels, flushed softly .

"I was waiting, Mumsie," she whispered; "you will dance for me now, will She fell on her knees beside the

couch, and took the little one in her "Sweet, lovely Mumsie," said the child, kissing the bare arms; "you will

be a real dove in Heaven." "Maizie, Maizie, do not leave me!"

vailed the trembling woman. "No, Mumsie," answered the child, "you shall come too."

The mother gazed at her, speechless and wild with alarm. "Mumsic," said the little one, trying

to raise the heavy little head with the short golden curls in damp ringlets on the pale forehead, "Mumsic dear, do dance. Perhaps the angels don't dance, and I love it so." With a great sob and a supreme effort

she rose from her knees, threw off the

heavy cloak which was still about her, and began to dance. Was ever such martyrdom, ever such bravery? Ah! Mother and Saint, in other days canonization was often more lightly won. On she danced in the dimly-lit death chanber, those outside standing with bated breath not daring to enter, yet seeing all Sweetly the child smiled, lifted the little hand once as if to thank her, then the fluttering eyelids closed, the long lashes rested on the pale cheeks, and she was still. Closer and closer danced the mother, till she leaned auxiously, breathlessly over the child, fearing to stop abruptly lest she should waken her. Then with a cry that rang through the house, and rings now in the ears of the two who waited outside the door, she fell on the couch beside her

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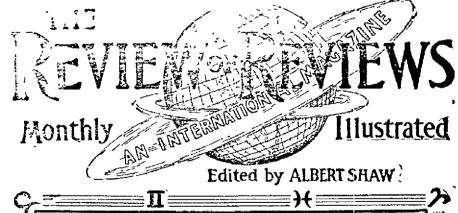
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CLAREMONT, Va., Dec. 25. EDITORS ARGUS AND MERCURY:-Santa llaus, or the clerk of the weather, brought us a bright, sunny Christmas Day, with a crisp, sharp air coming down from the north, and the thermometer registering 20° above in the morning. This affords a bracing atmosphere, and dry ground

underneath for man and beast. The weather in general this month has been fair, although some six inches of snow fell on the 3d; but it only remained with us for a few days, and was very beneficial by way of producing moisture, of which fall-sown crops were very much iu need at the time.

HOW THE DARKIES KEEP CHRISTMAS. The colored population, as well as some of the whites, have now fully entered upon the celebration of Christmas time-no work for a week or more for Sambo. Friends and relatives are all welcome to the best the shanty or log cabin affords, even down to the last hoecake. Candy, cracks and a general good time, with a little milk punch thrown in where obtainable, make all hands happy as kings. As they join in the song, or dance around to the music of a mouth organ, well might many a millionaire envy these people their cheerfulness and contentment and freedom from care, and the worryings so common with the rich, who are so unsatisfied amid their luxurious surroundings, and so consumed by an ambition to excel that happy enjoy-

ANTE-ELECTION PROMISES NOT FULFILLED

ment is never realized.

The great business boom and prosperity predicted by the McKinley party before election has not yet reached this sunny land. A wholesale dealer in wood tells me that northern parties withheld their orders until after election, and then ordered but little at a reduced price for hard wood. Even the black man is complaining that the busy time promised has not put in its appearance, and that the Republican politician who shook his hand so cordially before Nov. 3d and called him "my colored brother" now scarcely recognizes him on the street and has forgotten the common brotherhood of man entirely. Poor, foolish fellows! But no bigger dupes than many of the whites, who fall in line to the sound of the party bugle.

GIVING THE PEOPLE A REST.

The State of Virginia has no legislative body in session this winter, so the people are without much political interest and no doubt will be just as well off for the lack of any new legislative enactments: and the taxpayers are benefitted by these biennial sessions of the State legislators and much political jobbery prevented. We do doubt not that the masses of the Empire State would be just as well off under like regulation- and politics would not be quite so much of a trade and bargain exchange as it now is.

BIRDS OF PASSAGE.

This colony is mostly peopled by per sons who formerly resided in the North and West and most of them, like myself, have come to escape the cold northern winters and in this respect the climate is a decided improvement. There is another class with whom to move has become chronic and thus we have a good many comers and goers. Recently three or iour have come in with their families, prairieschoonerrashion. One man, wife, grandma and five children made the trip from near Chicago, about a thousand miles, insix weeks. Three horses and two mules were used for motors as they moved toward this Sout dand, perhaps to remain a year or so and then to move on agam as some others have done, who have recently journeyed from the East to the Pacific Coast, thence southward and eastward again, letching up in the Old Dominion State. Chus run Bullding.

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Fight your tendency to ponder

On those worlds that shine afar; To get famous over yonder, First win laurels where you are. -Chicago Record.

THREE MINOR OBJECTIONS.



The Beadle (to new minister)-A didna like the sermon for three rizzins -first, ye read it; secondly, ye didna read it weel; thirdly, it wisna worth readin' .- Sketch.

The Musical Woman's Husband. 'Twas for her voice I loved her first In those far-off, dear, happy years Now I oft wish, with head half burst. That I could button up my ears -Bay City Chat

NEW YORK MARKETS

Wheat-Spot trade dull and steady. Dec., 90% (c.; May. 85% c

Corn-Spot quiet; prices firmer, Jan., 291/2c.: May, 31%c. Oats-Market dull; prices steady.

May, 241-16c. Eggs-Lower and supply liberal.

State and Pennsylvania, fresh, 20@ 23c.; ice house, 15@17c.; western, fresh, 18@20c.; hmed, 13%@14; southern, 17@191/c.

Pork-Market steady; fair demand. Extra prime, nominal, short clear, \$9.00@10.50; mess. \$8.25@8.75; family. \$10.00@10.75.

Lard-Steady; moderate demand. Prime western, \$1.071/3.

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Hollidaysburg, Pa., Dec. 30.-Pheasant & Wagner, proprietors of large mercantile establishments at Hollidaysburg and Kipple, this county, have failed. The firm's embarrass ment is due to the recent suspension of a banking house in which they were heavy depositors. Delegates to the Monetary Conference.

Hartford, Dec. 30 .- At a special

meeting of the board of trade Presi-

dent Allen was authorized to appoint five delegates to represent this city at

the monetary convention in Indianapolis, January 12. Andover Seminary's New Visitor. Boston, Dec. 30.-Rev. Arthur Little, D. D., pastor of the Second church. Dorchester, has been selected to succeed the late Rev. Alonzo H. Quint, D.

D., on the board of visitors of the Andover Theological seminary.

Newspaper Story Denied. London, Dec. 30 .- A dispatch from Madrid says that the London Chronicle's statement that there is reason for belief that Spain has sounded the French foreign office in regard to Cuba in an anti-American sense is officially denied.

Call for a Western Minister.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 30.-Rev. Addison Moore of St. Louis is to receive a call to become pastor of the First Baptist church of this city. He will succeed Rev. J. H. Mason.

MODELING A STATUE.

How the Modern Sculptor Does His Interesting Work.

From the lump of clay which his fingers have flattened, trimmed, rounded off, the little model issues forth as a nucleus, from which its gigantic brother is to come. With the proportions laid out in the small one, the sculptor sketches his iron framework for the full-sized model. On a platform of heavy beams he constructs this framework, which when complete, has an anatomical look about it; but it would be a difficult matter to find in the seemingly crazy arrangement of twisted iron and the wire ropes, with blocks of wood tied on them, anything resembling anatomy.

The skeleton frame has to be exceedingly strong; for should any part give way later with the weight of the damp clay, it would doubtless involve the beginning of the work all over again. With the frame complete and tested as to its strength, the clay is built up around it, careful attention being given to each minute detail, especially to the anatomical ones. From the beginning. in the use of the clay, it is essential to keep it damp, and all through the construction water is applied through a hosepipe with a sprinkler attached. This wetting down is extremely important, for should the clay get dry, it would crumble like dirt, or crock, thus ruining the work.

The figure of the general is modeled nude, and brought to a high finish. A live model is employed for the purpose, and he poses astride a dummy horse in the position the shetch and miniature model call for. After the figure is finished, even to the curve of each muscle, equipments are put on the dummy herse, and the model dresses himsels in the general's costume and again takes the pose. The sculptor then proceeds to dress the general and his horse. With his many different tools he slowly shapes the clothing in the new clay that he has ruthlessly slapped on the exquiate modeling underneath. Bit b; bit the various garments assume form and develop under the ready hand of the muster, every little fold or crease being earefully worked up. The likeness is the most important part, however, and great attention is paid to the face. In this it is necessary to combine so many things beside likeness that the task is at times almost discouraging.-Harper's Round Table.

Advantages of Sleep.

In reply to the question: Is it wise for a man to dety h mself and get slong with a few hours' sleep a day, to do more work? Tesla, the great electrician, replied: "That is a great mistake I am convinced. A man has just so many hours to be awake and the fewer of these he uses up each day the more days they will last, that is the longer he will live. I believe that n man might live 200 years if he would sleep most of the time. That is why negroes often live to advanced old age. because they sleep so much. It is said that Gladstone sleeps 17 hours every day: that is why his faculties are still unimpaired in spite of his great age. The proper way to economize I'fe is to sleep every moment that is not necessary or desirable that you should be wake."- Popular Science News.

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THE People of the State of New York—To all persons interested in the estate of William T. Wallace, assigned to William B. Royce, for the benefit of creditors, send greeting:
You and each of you are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear at a Special Term of the County Court, for the county of Orange, State of New York, to be holden at the Court House, in the village of Gosaca, Orange county, New York, on the twenty sixth day of January, 1897, at ten o'clock a m., then and there to show cause why a final settlement of the accounts of William B. Royce, assignee of above named William T. Wallace, misolvent debtor, should not be had, and if no cause be shown, then to attend the final settlement of the Assignee's account. THE People of the State of New York-To at

In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto caused the scal of the said County Court of the county of Orange, State of New York, to be hereunto uffixed. Witness Hon John J Beattle, County Judge of said county, this 2d day of November, 1896.

JOHN J. BEATTIE, County Judge of Orange County WILLIAM FO'NEHAL, Attorney for Assignee, dSat7tJan9

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J. F. ROI INSON.
A. E. NICKINSON. WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30, 1896.

II, as the Republican papers intimate, Under Sheriff Henry M. Howell enters the field as a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff, next fall, what a row-de-dow his candidacy will kick up among the Republican machine leaders. Not one of them has forgiven him or Sheriff B. akes for upsetting the deal made prior to Sheriff Beakes's election, by which Rob Hock was to have been made Under Sheriff. The exposure of the plot to "starve out" Sheriff Beakes and Under Sheriff Howell made it necessary for the bosses to let up on the punishment they had undertaken, but in spite of the "harmony" letters published for political effect the bosses hate the Sheriff and Under Sheriff with a hatred that passeth words. They foam at the mouth whenever the subject is mentioned. There are great possibilities in Mr. Howell's candidacy. It would make easy a great official juggling act-Adam Beakes, Sheriff, "cousin Harry," Under Sherfff; Harry Howell, Sheriff, "cousin Adam," Under

ARAB'S DAY IN POLICE COURT.

Sheriff. No wonder Boss Hock has already

ground his battle-ax and put a razor in

each boot leg.

A Child of the Besert Warned Against Fooling Around 0, and W. Cars.

Monsor Hessen, an Arab, was arrested this morning, by O. and W. detective, Grant Wilson, for tooling around ears. He could neither speak nor understand English but brought another young Arab named Czsru Josef to the court who acted as intercepter. through him received one of the Recorder's famous loctures. He was allowed to go. with the warning that if he was caught about the cais again he would be locked up.

The interpreter explained that cars are a great curiosity to Arabs, because they see nothing of the kind in their own

RUN DOWN BY A TROLLEY CAR A Sleigh Upset on James Street and a Boy Slightly Hurt.

Nelson Hill was driving across the railroad teacks on James street, at 3.15, this afternoon, just in front of Car 23 of the Academy avenue line. Thos. Tierney. motorman. The horse slipped on the track and before the car could bestopped it struck the sleigh upsetting it and The failure caused some excitement. throwing out Mr. Hill and his son, Carl. Mr. Hill escaped injury, but the boy was cut on top of the head. He was taken into Dr. Schultz's office and the wound dressed. His injury is not at all serious.

A Very Narrow E-cape.

This afternoon, a piece of ice that would weigh at least 100 pounds, fell from the roof of Hantord & Horton's store to the sidewalk with a crash that sounded like the report of a cannun. The ree struck the walk within six inches or a woman and little child. Had it struck either of them on the head it would undoubtedly have caused death.

Escaped from Russian Military Service Jarob Newmark went to New York, a new days ago, to meet his brother, Alexder Neymark, who had deserted from the Russian army and made his way to this land of the tree, where nulriary service is not compulsory. After visiting with friends in New York for a while Alexander will come to Middletown and assist his brother in his business.

For the Old Ladses' Home.

Jacob Newmark, proprietor of the night lauch wagon, will donate one half. orms receipts on New Year's night to the Old Ladies' home. Those who partronize Mr. Newmark will have the satisfaction of knowing that they are aiding a worthy charity.

Low Prices for Rullding and Loan Money.

The monthly sale of money in the Port Jervis Building and Loan Association took place Wonday evening, and brought the following premiums. 8600 sold at 10 per cent, and \$2,500 at 54 per cent. premium

Needed Praying For.

A strange young man badly intoxicated, dritted into one of the class rooms or St. Paul's Church, last evening, during service and created considerable disturbance. Just before the close of the meetng he staggered from the room and disappeared.

Watch Night Services,

Orange Trust Lodge, No. 477, A. O. G. T, will hold a New Year's Eve watch meeting 'Dec 31, 1896, at the home of P. M. Johnson, No. 3 North Beacon. street. All members are requested to be juresent.

Orange County's Oldest Anstree of the

William Avery of Highland Palls, who has been a Justice of the Peace, for more consecutive years than any other man in Orange comaty, celebrated his seventyeixth birthday. Thursday

One Minute Cough Care, cures. That is would was made for

A FATAL RAILROAD WRECK.

A Freight Running on a Passenger Tram's Time Wrecked-Supposed to Be the Work of Tramps.

BY UNITED PRESS. RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 30.-A freight train on the Seabourd Air Line was wrecked near here, last night. An engine and ten cars went down a thirty foot embaukment, and the colored fireman was killed and the engineer injured. Four trainps were put off a train at the scene of the accident, yesterday, and it is believed they removed a rail. The wrecked train was running on the schedule of the north bound vestibule train, and it is believed the tramps intended to wreck the latter.

WHERE BANKS FARE BADLY. Only Four Left out of Thirteen a Year

BY UNITED PRESS.

Superior. Wis., Dec. 30.—Of thirteen banks doing business here a year ago only four remain. It is said they are interested in a plan to reorganize and consolidate into one largeinstitution with a capital of \$1,500,000. The city, during the last fifteen months, has lost upwards of \$200,000 in the failures of banks.

AN INSANE ASYLUM WRECKED. Boilers in the Basement Explode—Many

Patients Injured. BY UNITED PRESS.

SPOKANE, Dec. 30.—The explosion of two boilers in the basement of the insane asylum at Medical Lake partially destroyed the west side of the main building. Many of the 300 patients were injured by flying glass and their fruitless efforts to escape through barred windows.

DENSE FOG IN THE WEST. BY UNITED PRESS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A dense fog covered the west from Pittsburgh to Kausas City, last night. It began in the afternoon and played havoc with the telegraph service. Street traffic here was obstructed.

ILLINOIS' NEXT GOVERNOR MARRIED BY UNITED PRESS

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 30.-Governorelect Tanner was married here, to-day, to Mizs Cora Edith English.

A SOUTHERN BANK FAILS.

Selma, Ala., Dec. 30 -The Commercial Bank, a State institution, has failed. It is one of the two leading banks in Selma.

WALTON HOSE CO.'S HOUSE WARM-ING.

1 Great Day for Chester Firemen—Middletown lire Department Repre-

Yesterday was a great day for the citizens of Chester and especially for members of Walton Hose Co., who had a house warming. A turkey dinner, with all the accessories was served, and all who visited the house were invited to eat, drink and be merry in honor of the

new fire house. An orchestra had been provided and all who wished had the opportunity to

The Middletown Fire Department was represented by First Assistant Chief Charles Higham, Foreman W. A. Marshall and J. D. Stivers, of Excelsions, and A. L. Decker, of Monhagens.

The Muldletown guests were met at the depot by a delegation of Waltons and taken to the hose house in a carriage and there wasn't anything too good in thester for the visiting firemen.

They had "plenty ter to eat, plenty ter to drink and nothing fer to pay" to say nothing of the birest of Chester ladies for partners in the dance.

ONE DAY MORE OF OFFICIAL LIFE Recorder Bradner's Retirement After Twenty Years of Service.

Recorder Bradner has one more day of official life. On Triday morning, for the first time in twenty years the will be a private citizen.

Mr. Bradner has made a most excellent record, one that he may well feet proud of. There have been mult-findings, as there will be with his successors as long as the office exists. He has been accused of too much severity at times, and at others has been considered too lenient. but it is doubtful if there are many men who could fill the office of Police Justice and Recorder for twenty consecutive years and give as general satisfaction and make as few mistakes as has Mr. Bradner. He has been at rror to evildoers, but was always ready to show mercy when it was deserved.

A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morriston, of Worthington, Ind., "Snn," writes: "You have a valuable prescript on in Cheetric Bitters, and I can cheer ally recommend it for Con to pation and Sick Headache, and as a general system tome it has no equal." Mis-Annie Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not ent nor digest food, had a backache which never left live and felt fired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and \$1.00. Get a Bottle at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

Monthly Pains cured by Dr. Miles Pain Pills.

The particular of the party

... SCIRITS BROKEN.

How often women wake up in the morning cheerful and happy, determined to do so much before the day

ends, and yet:--Before the morning is very old, the dreadful BACK-**▲**CHE appears, the brave spirit sinks back in affright; no matter how hard she struggles, the "clutch" is upon her, she falls upon the couch, crying:--" Why should I sufter so? What can I do?" Lydia E. Pinkham's "Vegetable

Compound" will stop the torture and restore courage. All such pains come from a deranged uterus. Trouble in the womb blots

a vast number of women. Be advised—do as many others have done and are doing-procure Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once, and commence without delay to realize the relief it is sure to bring you.

out the light of the sun at midday to

OBITUARY-

Jane Collins.

Mrs. Jane Collins, widow of the late John Collins, died at 2 o'clock, this morning, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Michael McGinnis, No. 35 Fulton street, aged sixty nine years. She had been sick for a long time.

She is survived by three sons and one daughter: Cornelius, of this city, Michael, of Scotchtown, Patrick, of California, and Ella, wife of Michael McGinnis, with whom she made her home. Also by a brother, Patrick Lyons, of Newark.

The funeral notice will appear to-mor-

The Erie's Good showing for the Year. The Erie reports for November gross earnings of \$2.874.32, and net of \$797.-832. The gross earnings for the year were \$31,069,853, an increase of \$708,-269 over 1895. The net earnings were \$8,270,355, an increase of \$558,578.

A Very Heavy Roof.

The tile rco' on the new Erie depot is a very heavy one. Each tile weighs five pounds, and the waybills of the cars in which the tile was shipped here show that its total weight is about sixty tous.

To be Issued in Magazine Form. The Signs of the Times, which will

hereafter be issued as a semi-monthly, in magazine form, will soon appear in a very neat and artistic cover, the plates for which are now being prepared.

Shoe Stores to Close Early.

All the loot and shoe dealers in this city have signed the agreement to close their stores at 6 o'clock every evening except Mondays and Saturdays, from Jan. 5th to March 20ch.

Excitement, overwork and worry are ruining the health of thousands of women. Pure Blood is required to feed the nerves, a good appetite and digestive strength are demanded to keep the body strong and vigorous. and to restore the exhausted energies there must be sound and retresting



By its power to respond to all these needs Hood's Sarsaparilla has proved itself the greatest friend of women. Thousands write that they have been given health and strength by its use It is the great blood puritier, and consequently the true maye tonic.

"I feel that I should be wan'ing in common gratitude should I fail to tell the benefit my wife has derived from Hood' Sarsaparilla. She became scriously il from running ulcers, caused by poorness of

and was strongly advised by a friend to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. She said it had cured her and would no doubt cure my wife. So we tried it, and to say that its effect is wonderful, is only using a mild expression. It appears to be building up a new constitution for her; and, as we are a family of cleven, there are eleven of us rejoicing at the result.

"If the foregoing induces only one person, suffering in the same manner, to try Hood's Sarsaparilla, I shall feel more than rewarded." ELIJAH PACKER, 585 Monroe Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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The largest assortment to be found this side of New York city. These at special prices for the

Umbrellas.

One of the most useful of presents. We have them to suit everyone; styles and prices to suit all pocketbooks.

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We have a good assortment to choose from.

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Blue Front Store,

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C. E. CHAWFORD PURNITURE CO.

25 Ladies' and Misses' Desks Left Over.

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A grand opportunity to buy New Year's Gifts at your own price.

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DAILY ARGUS.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30, 1896.

EIGHT O'CLOCK.

open evenings. THE BUSINESS OFFICE OF THE "ARGUS" IS OPEN EVENINGS FROM SEVEN UNTIL

> WEATHER INDICATIONS. BY CMITED PRESS.

Washington, Dec. 30. — Generally cloudy weather; probably light local showers this afternoon and to-night, followed by clearing and cooler weather. Thursday afternoon, westerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE. The following was the registry of the thermom teer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 36°: 12 m., 40°; 3 p. m., 43°.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

Dec. 31-" The Two Orphans," at Casino. -Jan. 1-Masquerade ball, at Casino. _Jan. 1, 15, 29—Bachelor Club hops. -Jan. 14-Printer's ball (masquerade), at As

—Feb. 1-6-McQnoid Engine Co's fair, at Assembly Rooms.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. -All the delicacies of the season at Bull &

-Holiday goods cheap at H. E. Churchill's.
-Household goods for sale Jan. 5th.
-Oranges cheap at C. N. Predmore & Son's. -Turkey raffie at Eagle's limiding, to-night. -(laims against the estate of Hiram Selleck. -Ladies' and misses' cloake \$1 np at Geo. I

—New Year's gits at W. D. Olney's.

—Inventory clearing sale at Samuel Lipfeld's.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

-Kate Claxton.

-Kate Claxton in "The Two Orphans," Thursday night.

-Harmonia Council, No. 1006, A. . H., will give a ball, to-morrow night, in Mo-nnerchor Hall.

-Kate Claxton in her own company will produce "The Two Orphans," at the Cusino, New Year's eve.

-The Nuttall Manufacturing Co. has decided to remove its bicyclefactory from New York to Nyack. Considerable Nyack capital is invested in the concern.

-Realizing that if the fishing in Greenwood Lake can be improved there will te a great increase of travel to the lake. the Erie is arranging to place a large number of black tass in the lake.

-The Newburgh News suggests that while the coasting season lasts a temporary hospital should be established at the point where a much travelled street crosses one of the hill streets most popular with coasters.

-H. E. Montrose, the Sussex county hotel keeper, who shot himself in the head, a week ago Sunday, is almost certain to recover. He wants to get up and go to work but his physician will not let him leave his bed.

PERSONAL.

-William Cunningham, of Matteawan, is visiting his mother in this city. -Glover Clapham, of Bloomingburgh,

is in this city, to-day, on business. -Miss Lottie Shaw has gone to Port

ervis for a few days' visit with friends. -Miss Emma Berry, of Newark, N. J., s visiting Miss Illie Struble, at No. 8 William street.

-Thomas Leddy, a former O, and W. conductor, now a resident of Sidney, a en ling on his many friends in town.

-Miss Gertrude Brodhead, of this village, leaves town, this afternoon, for an extended visit at Middletown and New York city.—Port Jervis Gazette.

-Sheridan J. Bross, of this city, was best man at the wedding of Edwin G. Courtright and Grace A. Post, which took place at the home of the bride's parents in Coleviile N. J., Dec. 23d.

-Bryon Koon, who has been in the roof painting business here for some time, left town, to-day, for his home in Tunkhannock, Pa., where he will spend the winter. He will return to Middle town in the spring.

An Epidemic of Grip at Pine Bush,

Pine Bush has an epidemic of grap, several families being prostrated with it, besides numerous individual cases. Among the victims are the following.

D. S. Strong, the village school teacher and his daughter. The entire family of Conductor Jesse

Smith of the Crawford Branch train. Henry Wheeler and his whole hundy. Mr. Armstrong and family, who were among the first to contract the disease, are now improving.

k Railroad Indicted for Not Maintaining Crossing Gates.

The New York, Susquehanna and Westfore Justice Dixon at Hackensack, Monday, to answer an indictment found because it failed to maintain gates at road crossings. Senator Johnson, counsel for the roud, asked to have the indictment thrown out. This was denied. The pleawas not guilty. No date was set for

Again No Quorum,

trial.

An effort was made to hold an adjourned meeting of the Common Council, last night, to hear objections, if any, to the assessments on account of the Sprague avenue sewer, but only four members, Messrs. Dorrance, Hirst, Mance and Reed were present and an adjournment was taken until this evening.

A Man of Wonderful Capacity.

An Athens young man recently ate 200 clams as fast as they were opened at one sitting. He also put away 24 bottles of soda water and ate 22 ten cent-plates of ice cream. These teats of gluttony were performed in the presence of several wit-

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ilis, Billousness, Indigestion, Headache. Fasy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

UNDER THE CAR WHEELS. An Unknown Mas, Supposed to be a

Tramp, Killed at the Summit. A young man apparently about twentyfive years old was run down by a freight train at the Summit, about 6 o'clock, last evening, and so badly injured that

he died within half an hour. He was walking on the east siding. Conductor Barnum's east bound freight train backed into the siding out of the way of a passenger train, and the man evidently did not notice the approach of the train and he was struck by the caboose, knocked down, and the wheels passed over both legs, just below the

knees, mangling the members in a most

horrible manner. it is said thirty-two

cars passed over the man's legs. The unfortunate man was picked up by the trainmen, who drew strings tightly above his knees to try to prevent the flow of blood, placed him on the front of the engine and brought him to the James street depot. The man was still alive but was unconscious. Physicians were hastily summoned, but the man died before they arrived. Death was probably due to shock and the great loss of blood. There was a number of scratches on the head, face and body, but no serious wounds except upon the legs.

The body was removed to the morgue and Coroner Decker was notified. A large number of citizens saw the body, and while several persons thought the face a familiar one none could recognize

There was a memorandum book in the man's pocket, in which were several addresses, but none that would give any clue to his identity.

This morning, the coroner impaneled a jury and examined two tramps who slept in the lockup, last night. James Beatry, of Paterson, said he got on a coal train at Garfield and the deceased was on the train then and got off at the Summit. He told witness he boarded the train at Jersey City, was going to Port Jervis and would return to New York. He last saw him at the tramps fire at the Summit about 5 o'clock.

William Shoemaker, of Bustleton, a suburb of Philadelphia, said he heard the deceased ask Jack Powers where was a good place to sleep, and Powers pointed out a farmer's barn some distance away. This was about 5:30 o'clock. The deceased started to walk up the track towards the barn. Shortly afterwards he saw the train back into the switch, and later saw it come out with the man on the pilot of the engine. None of the tramps knew the man's name or place of

The inquest was adjourned until 4:30 o'clock to-morrow to secure the attendance of the train crew.

Where Costumes Can Be Obtained for pia. Lea's Masquerade Ball.

Philip Hartfield's sons, of New York, the celebrated costumers, will be at Geo. Lea's masquerade ball. New Year's night, with a supply of degant costumes. They can be seen on Thursday afternoon and evening at Geo. Shannon's artstore, next door to post office, and those who wish can leave their orders there. A representative of the firm will be in one of the dressing rooms of the Casino on New Year's night where suits and masks can be fitted. The charges will be very reasonable.

Passed Many Worthless Checks.

Wendell Phillips Hale, a blue stone dealer of Glen Eyre, Pa., who for several months past has been issuing worthless checks for small amounts in Port Jervis, Milford and Matamoras, was arrested in Matamoras, Monday night, and is now in Miliord jail. Hale is said to have issued many worthless checks, most of which were of such small amounts that the persons on whom they were passed did not go to the trouble or arresting

Dr. Dantorth Indicted.

Dr. Danforth, the former patient of the State Hospital in this city, who set fire to his apartments in New York about two weeks ago, was, Tuesday, induted for arson in the first degree by the New York Grand Jury. This probably means Dr. Danforth's incarceration in the Hospital for Criminal Insane at Matteawin.

State Hospital Patients Sleighride.

Three sleighs loaded with undepatients from the State Hospital were driven about town, this morning. Most of the patients seemed to be enjoying theurude. but it had no apparent effect on the deep melancholy that had settled on some ern Railroad Company was arraigned be- faces. One of the patients made himself quite conspicuous by flourishing a pack of cards and asking for tobacco.

Cut Christmas Trees in a Cemetery.

Two girls at Fishkill Landing went into the M. E. Cemetery and cut for Christmas trees two fine evergreens about ten feet high. Now they will be compelled to pay for their vandalism, which was doubtless an net of thoughtlessness, rather than with a view to despoil the beauty of the place.

A Baker's Dozen of Hobos.

Thirteen tramps found lodgings in the lockup, last night. Some of the men were fairly well dressed, intelligent, and had nothing of the appearance of the professional tramp or bum. There is something radically wrong in the affairs of our country when decent men who are willing to work cannot find employment.

New Cottage at the Loomis Sanitarium Plans have been prepared for a cet-

tage at the Loomis Sanitarium, Liberty, 20×110 feet, two stories high, which will contain sixteen sleeping rooms all with a southern exposure. The cottage will the largest on the samt arium grounds. HYMENEAL.

Kay-Walton.

Murray Kay, of Kingston, and Helen Wadsworth, oldest daughter of Mrs. K. S. Walton, of this city, were married in Grace Church at 4:15 o'clock, this afternoon, in the presence of a small company of relatives and intimate friends.

The ceremony was performed by Rector Evans. The bride was given away by her uncle, Cornelius Macardell. The bride was unattended. Walter Walton, brother of the bride, acted as best man.

The bride was dressed in a most be coming gown of green crepon, trimmed with green velvet, sable for and jeweled pussementerie. She wore a green velvet hat to match her suit.

Mr. and Mrs. Kay will leave, this afternoon, on Erie train 2 for New York, and after a short wedding tour will take up their residence in Kingston.

Mr. Kay holds a good position as assistant civil engineer on the West Shore road. He was formerly in the engineer's office of the O. and W. in this city and has many friends and acquaintances

Mrs. Kay has been a resident of Middletown since the death of her father, Lieut. Walter Walton, which occurred fifteen years ago, and her many attractive and estimable qualities have endeared her to a very large circle of friends, who unite in the heartiest congratulations and best wishes.

Among those present at the wedding ceremony were Samuel Kay, father of the groom, Janet Kay, his sister, and Miss Nellie Chatterton, his aunt, all of New York city.

Dixon-Davenport.

Elwood Judson Dixon, a rising young business man, of this city, and Grace Bronson Davenport, were married at 4 o'clock, this afternoon, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Davenport, No. 11 Hoffman street.

The ceremony was performed by Rev Dr. Wilson, in the room in which the bride was born nineteen years ago, to-day. The ring given and taken in plighting the marriage rows was carried on a silver tray by the maid of honor, Miss Hattie Davenport. The bride was prettily attired in white India silk and c'i.ffon,and;she carried a bouquet of bridal roses. The maid of honor wore white Swiss over blue tarletan.

Miss Lulu Davenport, another sister of the bride, played Mendelssohn's wedding march during the ceremony.

Refreshments followed congratulations and the couple repaired to their new home on Spring sireet, which has been itted up in a very attractive manuer.

The couple received a handsome collection of presents. The bride's gift to the groom was a pearl and ruby scari

The groom is a Canadian who has lived in this city about a year. He is in the grocery business at Fulton street and Academy avenue.

A DAYLIGHT BURGLARY.

Pocketbook A bold thief entered the flat of Mrs. Ed-Sparks in the Watts building, on North street, between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday

The family were in the front room and the thief, after ascending the front stairentered the rear half and ransacked the sleeping rooms and kitches. A pocketbook containing between fifteen and sixteen dollars, belonging to Mrs. Sparks. which she kept in the kitchen closet was

A small sum of money belonging to James Wood, a boarder, was taken from h's room.

A PARTITION SALE.

The Property of the Hocy Estate Sold This Afternoon, J. C. R. Taylor, as referee, sold at par fition sale at the Russell House, this at-

termoon, two pieces of property in this city belonging to the Hoey est ite. A house and number of lots on Lake

avenue and Liberty street were sold to Chas. E. Gardner for \$2.650. A house and lot on Groo street in the

northern part of the city was knocked down to C. E. Sayer, of Westfown, for

Elizabeth Hoey was the plaintiff in the action and Lawrence Hoev and others de eadants. M. J. Donovan was plaintiif a attorney .

Wages of Straw Hat Trimmers Reduced

The trimmers employed at the straw hat factory were notified, yesterday, or a reduction in their wages, which averages about twenty per cent. Business is not very brisk at the inctory, which is running on nine hours' time, and the girls, realizing that the conditions are not invorable for a strike, have submitted to the reduction with the best gracpossible.

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Cart for "Gentry." From Our Regular Correspondent.

-The first "smoker" or the G. S. and A. A. was given at the club rooms, last evening. Paul Purps, of Middletown, was present and entertained the boys by a number of very skillful feats of juggling. Pastor" Drake, the secretary, tendered his report, which was received with profound artention and was highly interesting for a variety of reasons. Next, "Judge" Sweezy, the club poet, read a poem which had been composed by him at the carnest solicitation of the committee for this occasion. The verses that Mr. Sweezy writes are not the kind usually contributed to the press by bards that would be. The "Judge" writes poetry. His prem last evening was very amusing and something of a revelation to many who did not know their fellow members as well as the author did. Harrison W. Namuy also made a few very happy remarks. An excellent lunch was served during the evening. A colored orchestra furnished three kinds of soul stirring music.-good, bad and indifferent. A large quantity of tobacco was consumed. The occasion was a very happy one and a similar entertainment dies' Coat. will probably be given within a mouth

-The dance of the Young Ladies' Sodality, of St. John's Church, will be given at St. John's Hall, to-night. A good time is assured.

-Cataracts will dance again to-morrow night.

-St. John's fair will be open to-morow night and will conclude Saturday night. Rev. R. B. Clark received as a Christmas girt from the Vocal Society a handsome mahogany chair.

-At the M. E. Church, last night, the Christmas tree testival was given, and at 4 o'clock in the aircrnoon the children of St. John's Church held a similar lestival at St. John's Hall. Both of these events were pleasant and joyous occasions for

the young jolks. -Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Seward entertained a number of friends at "Inter-

pines." last nigh . -Henry J. Miller, of Goshen, inventor and manuacturer of the famous Miller load carts, has received an order from the owner of "Gentry," the champion fiotter, for a bike cart, to be used in speeding the great trotter.

WILLIAM N. CASE'S WILL PROBATED

surrogate Howell Holds that Lack of Testamentary Capacity Was Not Proved.

Surrogate Howell filed, Monday, his lecision admirting to probate the will or Mr. Case died April 29, 1896, aged lows. Your choice for \$1.50 each. the late William N. Case, of Deerpark. ninety-two years. The will was made eight months before death. When it was onered for probate, Fred B. and Katie F. Case began a contest, alleging lack of testamentary enpacity. Thirtyseven witnesses were examined and the testimony was very contradictory, but the Surrogate holds that the weight or it is clearly in layor of the testamentary capacity of the testator. There was no testimony to how undue influence.

In Eric Eugineer Badly Hurt by a Fall

Erie engineer William J. Walker, of Port Jervis, at Greycourt, Monday evenmg, shipped on some ice on his locomotive and fell to the ground striking on the lower part or his back and with such force as to tracture his pelvis. He was taken to his home and later removed to the Port Jervis hospital.

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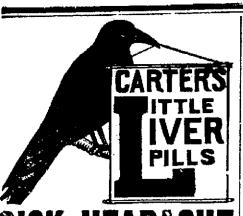
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Vanilla as a flavoring for ice creams and other delicacies, from once being considered a luxury, has now come to be so generally used that it is considered a necessity, and it would be very hard to find a substitute for it. Com mercial extract of vanilla is obtained from the vanilla bean, which is a nutive of Mexico, and is probably the most valuable fruit grown, the best quality of Mexican beans often being worth near ly their weight in silver. While the vanilla is a native of Mexico, of recent years it has, been transplanted to a number of different countries, and will grow in any locality where the temperature does not fall below 65 degrees. The best beans, however, still come from Mexico.

The vanilla plant is a climbing vine, with a stem about as thick as an ordinary lead pencil, covered with dark-green. spear-shaped leaves.

The vines blossom profusely during March and April. The flower is yellow and has a very agreeable sweet smell. By far the greater number of blossoms wither and fall off, and the ones producing beans are a very small percentage of the total number. The beans grow very rapidly for the first two months, and by the 1st of July have attained their full size, and from that time on grow but little, if any. The beans, or pods, are from six to twelve inches long, and about half an inch in diameter, and when ripe are about the color of a banana, and have very much the same appearance, except that they are a little less in diameter and somewhat longer. Each vine yields about 100 beans, and some vines have a single branch that bear 12 or 15 pods.

From the 1st of July, when the bear is a dark-green color, it grows but little in size, turning gradually a yellow Sets! color, until the last of December or 1st



DRYING VANILLA BEANS.

of January, when it is fully ripe and ready for gathering. The pods are filled with minute black seeds and a small quantity of pulp, and when prepared for market become reduced to about one-fourth their original thick ness, are black in color, and emit a very sweet, agrecable perfume.

The curing of the beans is a slow. tedious process, and one requiring a great amount of care and attention. For the most part the growers do not cure their own beans, but sell them in miscellaneous lots to corers, who employ experts for that purpose. The total time consumed by the curing process is about five months. The beans as soon as gathered are spread out in the sun on black blankets, and allowed to remain until they are quite hot to the touch. They are then gathered up and placed in a sweating box, which is simply a wooden box large enough to hold all the beans. This box is well warmed in the sun, and its whole interior is then lined with blankets that have been out in the sun.

After the beans are in the box the ends of the blankets are folded over them and other warmed blankets are place: over and around the box. The whole is then allowed to remain for 36 hours by which time the ripest of the vanilla will begin to turn black, and the box will have lost most of its heat. The ceans now have to be spread out in the sweated, and this process continued four or five times, until the beans are the proper color.

As the ripe beans turn black the quickest, after each sweating the whole of has to be gone over, and the ones which are black enough picked out and placed by themselves. Great care must be exercised in this process, as, if they are very little oversweated, it is sufficient to reduce the weight about one pound per 1,000 beaus, which would be a great loss, and, as the bean loses part of its color when overdried, there is a further loss of about one dollar per pound on account of poor color.

As soon as the Lans have been sufficiently sweated and are of the proper color they are spread out on drying racks, being carefully gone over from day to day, and any that show signs of moisture or mold are taken out and put in the sun until the mold disappears, when they are again placed ou the racks. When of the proper dryness, which the operator from experiruce can judge very accurately by the tecling of the bean, they are taken from the racks and carefully assorted into bunches of 50, all the beans in one ounch being of the same length.

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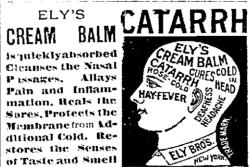
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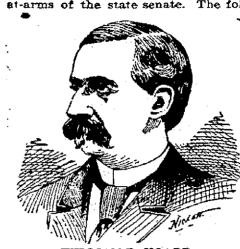
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BOOMED BY FARMERS. They Desire to See W. D. Hoard Made

Secretary of Agriculture. William Dempster Hoard was born in Stockbridge, N. Y., in 1836. His early edueation was obtained in the commor schools. At the age of 21 he settled in Dodge county, Wis. In 1860 he removed to Jefferson county. During the warde served a short time in a Wisconsin regiment and later in one from New York. At the close of the war he returned to Wisconsin and engaged in the nursery business at Columbus, but in 1870 he removed to Lake Mills and began the publication of the Jefferson County Union. He held several United States offices and in 1872 was elected sergeantat-arms of the state senate. The fol-



WILLIAM D. HOARD.

lowing year he removed to Fort Atkinson. Through his efforts the Jefferson County Dairy Association was organized and also the State Dairy association, of which he was secretary, for three years. After a time, he established a dairy department in his paper and later began the publication of a distinct dairy paper, calling it Hoard's Dairy man. Mr. Hoard is one of the leading dairy lecturers of the country. In two seasons he has delivered more than 300 addresses, advocating the adoption of improved methods. He is a clean talker and debater, with a peculiar knack of putting things. In 1888 he was nominated for governor of Wisconsin and in the fall of the same year was elected. He proved an able chief executive, conscientious and thoroughly business-like. He was renominated in 1890, but was defeated Since his retirement from the capita he has continued to give attention to his newspaper and to dairy interests. There are few men in the United States entitled to so large a share of the confidence and esteem of the farm ing population, or who would have done more to advance our dairy interests Gov. Hoard is now mentioned for secnetary of agriculture in McKinley's cab-

NEBRASKA'S NEW JUDGE. in His Younger Days William D. McHugh

William D. McHugh, of Omaha, Neb. who has been appointed United States ji dge for the district of Nebraska, is a native of Illinois, having been born at Galena, Jo Daviess county, September 19, 1859. He attended the common school at Galena, and when it tered upon the shoemaker's trade, serv ing three years as an apprentice and working for some years as a journey man shoemaker. He then attended the Illinois state normal school at Normal. PATERSON, and thereafter taught school in and

it is na. He studied law at night while teaching, and in October, 1882. was admitted to the bar of the supreme court of Illinois. He began his practice at Galena, joining the firm of D. & T. J. Sheean & Mcllugh. In the



JUDGE WILLIAM D. MIHUCH.

acty spring of 1858 he came to Omaha. and in 1889 united with Gen. Cowin in the firm of Cowin & McHugh, which reintionship he has since maintained. lie has been counsel for Omaha's jobers and shippers in their controvers'es with the railroads and conducted or behalf of the Commercial club the I tiestion with respect to Texas rate: and with respect to the bridge toll charged by the reads on shipments between Omaha and Iowa points. Mr. Mcliugh has been a stanch "sound money" democrat and is a warm perconal friend of Secretary J. Sterling

Big Block of Granite,

Much inconvenience is experienced a finding a rail route to New Orleans. laving bridges high enough for the largest block of granite ever quarried in Vermont. The block is 15 feet square and 3 feet thick. It is intended for the noted Moriarity monument in that city. It was quarried in Barre, and has been moved to the dressing sheds. A special car is being built by the local roads, on which it is intended to set the block on the edge, letting the lower sides swing through the bottom, extending to within eight inches of the rail. The weight of the block exceeds 50 tons. Investigation shows that most routes have bridges too low for the block to pass through.

Danger in Bad Cheese.

Cheese causes much illness in England. Cheese poison is called tyrotoxicon, and investigations have shown that the toxic agent is in the milk, owing to be sold at a bargain. the improper management, the milk not heing cooled until some hours after.

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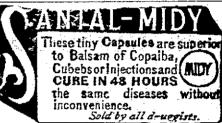
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MIDDLETOWN TIME TABLES. Erle Rallway.

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notice, as follows;
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801, 805, 805, 817 and 800 rnn Sundays only. All
other trains daily except Sunday. 1Train No. 5 will
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affined indicate connection, vis.: "G" with Newburg Branch via Greycount; "T" with Newburg
Short-cut Branch via Turners; "M" with Montgomery Branch, and "P" with Pine Island Branch.
(F) Train No. 1 stops on signal for passengers
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GOING WEST

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"18 Port Jervis Way 10.86 " 10.32 Am.

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7 C. & G. T. Exp. 2.34 "

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9 Chicago Exp. 1.12 "

601 Sunday Local 10 28 am.

825 P. J. Way (Sun only). 3.08 pm.

617 " 10.29 "

Passenger trains for Middletown leave foot of Chamber street, New York, 1. "400, 7.45, 9.15, 10.30 a.m.; 1.00, 8.20, 4.29, 5.30, 6.30, 7.30, "6.45 p. m. Also additional Sunday trains at 7.45, 9.00 a.m. 12.30 and 7.30 p. m. GOING WEST

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Collector's Notice. State and County Tax.

The warrant for the collection of the State and County Tax for the city of Middletown, N. Y., for the year isses having been delivered to me by the Board of Supervisors, I will attend on each working day of the week (Saturday afternoons and holldays excepted), from Porlock in the forenoon antil 20 clock in the afternoon at the Corporation Rooms, Center street, in said city, for 30 days, beginning Monday, Isc. 21st, 1885, and enting Monday, Jan. 25th, 1807, inclusive, for the purpose of receiving payment of said taxes. No fee will be charged during said 30 days.

E. M. HAMILTON, Collector.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 18 1896, Declay, 19.21, 22, 23, 23, 25, 29, 30, 314 and 5, 67, 8, 9, 18, 19.

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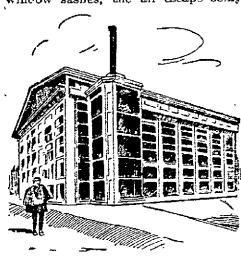
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One of the oddest domiciles on earth is that recently erected at Yokohams by Dr. W. Van der Heyden, the notec bacteriologist of Utrecht and Japan The doctor's house is a dust-proof, air preof, microbe-proof building of glass It stands on the open unshaded grounds of the general hospital of Yokahama The house is 44 feet long, 23 feet wide and 17 feet high. Large panes of glass one-half inch thick and about four inches apart, are set in iron frame. so as to form the sides of a cellula: building block. On these blocks the walls are constructed. There are no window sashes, the air escape being



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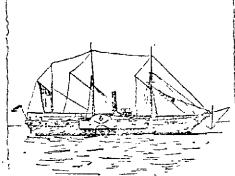
through several small openings around the upper part of the second story, but through which no air from the outside is admitted. The air supply is obtained from a considerable distance, forced through a pipe and carefully filtered through cotton wool to cleanse it of bacteria. To insure further steril zation the air is driven against a glycerine-coated plate of glass, which cap tures all the microbes the wool spares The few microbes brought into the bouse in the clothes of visitors soon die in the warm sunlight with which the house is flooded. The space between the glasses of the building blocks is filled with a solution of salts, which absorbs the heat of the sun, so that the rooms of this house are much cooler than those protected by the thickest shades. In the evening the interio: is heated by salts radiating the heat they have absorbed during the day So effective is the system of regulating the temperature that a few hours of schlight, even in freezing weather, will render the house habitable. It is only when several cloudy days follow in succession that artificial heat is needed Then it is supplied by pumping in hot air. Dr. Van der Heyden thinks he has solved the problem of a complete germicide on a big scale.

THE WARSHIP MICHIGAN. Popularly Known as the "Old itonsides

of the Great Lakes.' The oldest steam warship in the United States navy is the Michigan

Her quaint shape, glistening in continually-renewed coats of white paint. is a familiar sight to the thousands of Summer tourists upon the great lakes where she reigns, the sole naval guar-Jian of Uncle Sam's vast interests. Away back in 1843, says the Illus

trated American, when the Michigan was laid down, it was a departure of no small note that the government W. D. Olney. should order her built of iron, and whe the size of the merchant ships of the lakes at the time is considered, there is little wonder that her launch the following year at Erie, Pa., was the oc casion of a tremendous celebration, and that the Marine band (even 52 years ago



U. S. S. MICHIGAN

journeyed from Washington ove, land by stage-coach to assist in the ceremona-

The iron plates for the hull were polled at Pittsburgh, and likewise baute across to the lake shipyard. The Mich egan has a length of 163 feet. Herdraft of only nine feet permits of entrance to almost any channel in the chain of inland seas where she is likely to go, but ther speed of only 11 knots, and the armament carried, does not cut much of a fighting figure when one thinks of

modern warships At the same time, the Michigan, antiquated as she is, makes a sturdy show in her own waters at carrying the flag and can land as smart a party of sea men as many a salty cruiser. In offering training facilities for the naval amilitia of the lake states, she does ar excellent duty every year. She is armed with four 30-pound B. L. rifles in the main battery, three three-inch Hotch kiss rapid-fire guns in the secondary

battery, and two Gatlings. The Michigan is in command of Lieut Commander E. H. C. Leutze. She car ries about 100 officers and seamen, with a marine guard of 15.

Eggs Forty Years Old.

Dr. C. D. McCoy, of Kenton, O., is exof age. It was 281 grains, while a Wall, of Silverereek, who tells the folhusband built his house. He began it in the fall and finished it in the spring. upon going to repair the damage, discovered a nest full of eggs, which had le in a currely hidden and protected for the lack 40 years."

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LOCATIONS OF FIRE ALARM BOXES. For the information of our readers, we publish below a complete list of the numbers and loca-tions of all the fire alarm Loxes in this city:

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15—North street and Low avenue, but shops.
14—North St. and Wisner Ave. type shop.
17—Refired avenue and Montgomery atreet.
18—Grand avenue and Prince street.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Wallkill avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue.
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25—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and West street.
29—W. Main street, corner Monhagen avenue.
213—State Hospital Gate.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital.
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hauford streets.
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35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condensory.
37—Mullerry and Fulton streets.
38—Fairview avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—East Main street and Railroad avenue.
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street.
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47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues.
49—East Main screet and Prospect avenue.
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
21—Rung before a box number, denotes that set is being made.

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1 stroke denotes circuit broken.
2-2-2 strokes of bell denotes Chief's call.

3 strokes of bell denotes 12 o'clock time.

4 strokes of bell denotes recall, fire is out.

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The Fact That Doctors

requently advise change of air andic-i mate to those suffering from catarrb, is proof that catarrh is a local and climatic disease. Therefore, unless you can leave home and business, you should use Ely's Cream Balm. Applied directly to the seat of the disease, it effects instant relief and a satisfactory cure after short continuance. No mercury nor injurious drug is contained in the Balm.

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The old lady was right when she said the child might die if they waited for the doctor. She saved the little one's life with a few doses of One Minute Cough Cure. Slahad used it for croup before.

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In Pursuance of an order of Hon. John J. Heattie, County Judge of Origin county. N. Y. on the 19th day of November 180°, notice is hereby given to all creditors and persons having chains against James E. Br. 10. 19th doing humaness in the city of Middletown, N. Y., that they are required to present lithe same, with the proper vouchers therefor, unity veraised, to the anlies riber with hims been duly approved assistance of the solid James F. Brazes for the benefit of creditors, at his onice, Empire Plock, in the city of Middletown, N. Y., on or before the sixth day of Tehrmary, 1997.

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HAPPY SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS

Christmas Festivals and Entertainments at Four Churches-Books and "Goodles" Distributed to Pupils-Presentation to Superintendent Pettit and Wife of the Baptist School-Congregational Children Amused by Sleight of Hand Tricks.

Prettier carols than those sung, and well sung, last night, in Grace Church, have never been heard at any Christmas estival in Middletown. The attendance was very large, the church having been crowded. The Rev. George C. Betts. of Goshen, was present and charmed the children with his colloquial version of the old story of Pandora's box, pointing many a moral therefrom in his own characteristic style. Rector Evans also illustrated the meaning of Christmas with another very touching story called "The Cup of Loving Service."

Valuable and excellent books were distributed to over 200 scholars by James E. Horton, Superintendent of the Sunday School, D. F. Seward and Fred W. Towner.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Christmas festival of the First Baptist Church Sunday School was held n the lecture room of the church, last night, and was very largely attended, the room being packed to its utmost capacity. The exercises were in charge of the Superintendent, Abram Pettit, and everything passed off smoothly and pleasantly. The following programme was well rendered:

After the exercises had been concluded the children were served with candies, cake and oranges, and the rest of the audience with cake.

James E. Miller, assistant superintendent, in behalf of the school, presented Mr. and Mrs. Pettit with a handsome oak rocker, in recognition of their earnest and devoted efforts to advance the interests and promote the welfare of the

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The entertainment and supper given to members of the Sunday School of the Second Presbyterian Church, last evening, was largely attended and greatly enjoyed. The little ones were seated at tables and the older ones were served around the room. A Noah's ark fille I with candy was presented to each one as they left the room. The entertainment was as follows:

Recitation Dottie's Surprise Cora Redfield
Song-Christmas Chimes Viols and Arthur
Doell, Roscoe Reed and Russell Rogers
Recitation—Christmas Penelope Rogers
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Reed and Della Rogers A SLEIGHT OF HAND ENTERTAINMENT.

The Sunday School of the First Congregational Church was given a Christmd supper, Monday evening, and last night the children were very pleasantly entertained with a sleight of hand performance by a Middletown young man whose skill at legerdemain was known only to a few intimate irrends until last

Fred McWilliams, son of Edwin Mc-Williams, is the young man referred to and for an hour and a halo be delighted the audience with his elever tricks. Some of those who witnessed the performance sny that it was equal to that given by many of the traveling magicians.

Variety was given to the entertainmeat by Misses Marvin and Howland who sang two duets.

HOFFMAN LODGE, NO. 412, F. A. M Officers for the Coming Year Installed. Last Ninker.

The installation of others of Holtman Lodge, F. and A. M., was held, last evening, the inscaling other being the retiring master of the todge, H. C. Corwin.

The list of others is as tollows W. M -- Da L. Case. S. W. ad. E. Barnes. W — 0 F. Scaman.

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J. S.-John E. Adams. Organist-Clarence H. Sweezy. Tyler-D. C. Roe. Trustec—S. M. Boyd

Chaplan-Rev. F. M. Wilson. At the conclusion of the ceremonies, the members or the lodge were invited to the banquet hall, where a collation was served with the compliments of the master elect,

Tra L. Case. A Costly City Hall.

Kingston built its city hall in 1875 at a cost of \$80,000, for which it issued bonds bearing seven per cent, interest, In the twenty-on · years which have sine clapsed a total of \$157,100 has been paid in principal and interest, and the city still owes \$30,000 on its hall

Brought Here For Buriai.

The remains of Mrs. Vinnie Many Henderson, who died in Poughkeepsie, Sunday morning, arrived in this city on Erretrain 2 to-day, and were taken to Hillside Cemerery and buried in the ramity

Only the sufferer knows the misery of dyspepsia, but Hood's Sarsaperilla cures | ren. | Doctors recommend it in place of the most stubborn cases of this disease, Castor Oil.

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4 First Prizes, each of \$100 Cash - \$ 400.00 20 Second " " \$100 FECAL Bicycles*2,000.00 40 Third " \$ 25 Gold Watches - 1,000.00 Cash and Prizes given each month - -\$3,400.00

Total given during 12 mos. 1897, \$40,800.00



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List of letters remaining uncalled for

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GENTLEMEN.

NEW YORKSTOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern-Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for each or carried on margin.

Baxter, Robt. (Carpenter) Martin, Charles
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C. L. ELWOOD, Postmaster.

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COLLINS In this city, Dec. 30th, '96, Jane Col-

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56 North St., Opp. Postoffice.

TELEPHONE CALL No. 55.

The annual election for Directors of this bund

will be held at the banking rooms of thebank, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, from 2 a. m. to 10 n. m.——SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cushior,

IN Pursuance of an order of the Surroga e of the country of Orange, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Hiram Selleck, late of the city of Widdledown in all country.

against the estate of thrum scales, into a the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrature of all and singular, the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at the office of theo. It, becker, No. 18 linest Main street, in the

of New York, on or before the first day of July

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HENRY CLEWS

KATE CLAXTON AS A FIERY HOODOO Incidents of Her Visit to Middletown Sixteen Years Ago Recalled.

Brooklyn, Long and Staten Islands).

Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryind, West Virginia and District of Columbia.

The New England States.

The Bicycles are the celebrated Pierce Special, 1897 Pattern, m'Td by Geo. N. Pierce & Co., of Burfalo, Boston and New York. Fitted with Hartford Tires. First Class Nickle Lamp, New Departure Bell, Standard Cyclometer, and Hunt Lace Saddle.

Kate Claxton, who will play in the 'Two Orphans" at the Casino, to-morrow night, appeared in the same play at Bull's Opera House, Sept. 20th, 1878. and has not been here since. This was shortly after the great Brooklyn Theatre fire, which occurred while Miss Claxton was playing in the same piece there. Only a short time after the theatre fire she was in a big hotel fire in St. Louis, and was regarded by many as a hoodoo.

H. S. Dusenberry sold the tickets for the performance at the Opera House, both at his store and in the box office, and remembers the event well on account of the fear expressed by so many people that fire would surely result from Miss Claxton's visit.

U. S. L., pref., Although lots of people refused to at-Tenn. Coal and Iron tend the performance through their A. T. & S. F..... superstitious fear of Miss Claxton as a C. M. & St. P fiery hoodo. Mr. Dusenberry says there were enough people who indulged in no D. L. & W. such notions and were anxious to wit-C. of N. J ness the performance and the house was ! Erie D. and H .. packed, as the Casino will doubtless be O. & W Susquehanna & Western.... to-morrow night. Susquehauna & West., pref.....

TROUBLE OVER LIFE INSURANCE

The Policies on the Life of Martin Finnegan Not Yet Paid.

It is probable that the family of Martin Finnegan, who died in this city, Dec. 2d, will have trouble in collecting the insurance on his life. He held, we are told, policies in three industrial companies. The cause of death was consumption and the companies, it is said, allege that ! and as to other matters at the time the insurance was effected. At all events noue of the insur<u>ance has been paid,</u> though these claims are usually adjusted as soon as proof of death is received.

Mr. Finnegan left a widow and a large family of young children, and they have need of all the money due them and all who know them hope that an early and satisfactory settlement of the case may be effected.

An Extensive Land Owner. From the Port Jervis Gazette.

Charles C. Cox. a farmer, living four miles from Newton, is probably the owner of more acres of productive land than any resident of Sussex county. His various farms will aggregate nearly 1,000 acres. He has recently purchased the Abram Masseker form, six miles east of Newton, for \$35.50 per acre. The farm has good buildings and is well watered.

To Close at 6 O'clock.

The hardware stores, beginning Jan. 5th, will close at 6 o'clock every evening except Mondays and Saturdays, until Ma ch 20th.

RIDGEBURY.

The Birth of Christ" to Be Repeated -The cantata entitled "The Birth of Christ," which was given in the M. E. Church, Christmas Eve, with such success, will be repeated by request. Saturday evening, Jan 2d. Admission ten!

SLATE HILL.

Epworth League Social.

Correspondence Augus and Mencuny. -The Epworth League of State Hill will hold a pie social at A. R. Sargent's, Thursday evening, Dec. 31st, for the Bull & Youngblood benefit of the M. E. Chapel. A cordint invitation is extended to all.

Did you ever stop to think what indigestion really means? It means simply that your stomach is tired. If our legs are tired, we ride. The horse and the steam engine do the work. Why not give your stomach a ride, that is, let something else do its work. Foods can be digested outside the body. All plants contain digestive principles which will do this. The Shaker Digestive Cordial contains digestive principles and is a preparation designed to rest the stomach. The shakers themselves have such unbounded confidence in it that they have placed 10 cent_sample_bottles_on market, and it is said that even so small a quantity proves beneficial in a vast majority of cases. All druggists keep

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A PAIR of Glasses found, which owner may have by leaving a description at this office. It CHAMBERS' Mandrate Liver Pills equal to Capenk's or any other liver pills only 20 cents. Try them. Sold only at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

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CLAIRYOYANT-PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF bas left town and will return to Middletown the 18th of January, 1897, and remain one week at Wm. S. Roe's, 37 James St. 18d&w3mMch17

CHAMBERS' White Pine Balsam is positively guaranteed to cure your cough. Large bottles 25 cents. Made and sold by JOHN J. CHAMBERS, Druggist and Pharmacist, Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

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Keeps coat, vest and pants in good shape,
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HEADQUARTERS for Weather Strips at No. 1 Railroad avenue. Put them on now and keep warm. CHAS. Z. TAYLOR. HARM FOR SALE-Eighty acres of choice land, ten miles east of DesMoines, Iown, with good seven-room house and outbuildings, two good wells, a young orchard. Parties want to go west. For further information enquire of 95d2mJan19 W. W. PRESTON, Clarkson, Iowa.

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On Thesday, January 5th, 1887, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, at No. 20 Reattle avenue, I will sell at public nuction, all the furniture, wearing apparel and other effects of the late Hiram Selleck, deceased.

The articles to be sold are good and in good order and some of them nearly new order and some of them nearly new.

MARY C SELLECK, Administratrix. CHARLES W. FAULENER, Auctioneer.

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Fine Banninas, Grapes, Mixed Nuts 2 pounds for 25 cents, Paper Shell Almonds, extra fine Table Rusius, extra fine Creamery Butter, all for New Year's at

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Department of Public Instruction. DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

ORANGE COUNTY. SCHOOL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE, OTISVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 16, '96. Examinations for Commissioner's Certificates will be held during the year 1897 as follows:

FIRST GRADE. March 4th and 5th, at Goshen. Aug. 9th and 19th, at Middletown TRAINING CLASSES. Jan. 20th, 21st and 22d, at Port Jervis. June 9th, 10th and 11th, at Port Jervis SECOND AND THIRD GRADE.
Jan. 14th and 15th, at Port Jervis.

March 4th and 5th, at Goshen. April 23d and 24th at Middledown. June 3d and 4th, at Port Jervis. Aug. 12th and 13th, at Middletown. Sept. 24th and 25th, at Warwick, WILLIAM P. KAUFMAN, d22.29w25.1 School Commissioner. $022,29 \pm 25,1$

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Ladies' Kid Gloves, lined throughout extra warm,

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Children's Woolen Mitts, all colors,

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Millinery, Jackets, Capes,

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looking building of snowy whiteness just north of our present quarters? That's the new Economy Store! Know what that's made of?

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Hand Ties.

7c Men's 4-ply Collars.

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In order to reduce stock before we move into new quarters, we have cut many prices below the profit line, to wit:

3½c yd Domet Flannel.

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71/2c yd regular 10c Flannel 6¾c yd 8c Muslin.

12½c each Ladies' Ribbed 29c balance stock of Ladies' were 18c.

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